Texas Board of Occupational Therapy Examiners

Education Committee 333 Guadalupe St #2-510 Austin, TX 78701

February 20, 2009

Board Members Present: Michael Carreon, COTA

Stephanie Johnston, OTR

Board Member Absent: Dely De

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Staff Present:

Augusta Gelfand, OT Coordinator
Cynthia Machado, Licensing Manager

17 Guest:

Michelle McKamy, COTA

I. Call to Order

Michael Carreon called the meeting to order at 8:03 AM. He called the roll and determined that a quorum existed.

2. Public Comment

Michelle McKamy spoke on behalf of the Panola College Occupational Therapy Assistant Program and her employer, Platinum Therapy Resources. She spoke on behalf of the continuing education amendment to recognize and give credit to those who take on the supervision of a fieldwork student.

3. Approval of minutes from October 12, 2008

Motion To approve the minutes as written.

Made by: Stephanie Johnston Second by: Michael Carreon

Motion passed.

4.

Discussion and possible action on CE audit response and correspondence

The committee looked at 3 certificates for an online courses for 10 hours each, all dated on the same day. Since the committee decided there could be an acceptable response for this situation, they suggested sending the licensee(s) to the Investigation Committee for a response.

Motion: To Send these licensees to the Investigation Committee

Made by: Stephanie Johnston Second Michael Carreon

Motion passed

5. Discussion and possible action on correspondence on continuing education credit for fieldwork supervision.

A letter was received from Melanie Potanko, OTR, MEd, Austin Community College. She asked the board to propose CE credit for supervision of fieldwork student(s). The Committee reviewed several states' rules on this issue and came up with language which will allow it.

16. Discussion and possible amendments to §367.2 Categories of Education

To amend §367.2 to add a new number 6 as follows Motion:

Motion by: Stephanie Johnston Michael Carreon Second by:

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(6) Fieldwork Supervision, 8 hours maximum, Type 2

- (A) A licensee may earn 2 contact hours for each Level 1 students supervised. A licensee may earn 6 contact hours for each Level 2 student supervised. A licensee may earn a maximum of 8 contact hours for student supervision per renewal period.
- (B) Fieldwork supervision hours may be evenly divided between licensees, not to exceed two fieldwork educators.
- (C) Fieldwork education supervision must be completed before the licensee's renewal date.
- (D) Documentation shall include verification provided by the school to the fieldwork educator(s) with the name of the student, school, and dates of fieldwork or the signature page of the completed evaluation form. Evaluation scores and comments should be deleted or blocked out.

Discussion and Possible Action on Future Meeting Agenda Items and Dates 7.

The Committee will meet when needed.

Adjournment 8.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:57 AM

Date reviewed by the Education Committee: November 13, 2009